

## REMARKS

Applicant has provisionally elected with traverse, Group I, claims 1-36 and 51-64, drawn to a system and method for dispensing a ticket for services or performance.

Similar to those claims in Group I, applicant submits that claims 37-39 and 44-46 (currently in Groups II and IV, respectively) are also directed to a system and method for dispensing a ticket for services or performance. To the extent that those claims recite dispensing a physical ticket by a ticket dispenser, applicant submits that they are directed to the invention of Group I and therefore should be examined together.

As for remaining claims, applicant submits that the general subject matter of the present invention relates to purchasing electronic tickets online as opposed to purchasing a physical ticket. Consequently, a thorough search for the subject matter of any one group of claims would necessarily encompass a search for the other groups of claims. Thus, Applicant submits that all claims can be searched and examined without any serious burden to the Examiner.

Based upon the above amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application and its earlier allowance. Should the Examiner feel that a telephone conference with Applicant's attorney would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact him at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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